

CLAIM AMENDMENTS

1. (canceled)

1           2. (previously presented) The method according to claim  
2   10 wherein for regions of the image data with high contrast, a  
3   parameter estimation or approximation is carried out.

1           3. (previously presented) The method according to claim  
2   2 wherein for the parameter estimation or approximation, the "total  
3   least squares" (TLS), "ordinary least squares" (OLS), "Mixed OLS-  
4   TLS" and/or variation methods is used.

1           4. (previously presented) The method according to claim  
2   10 wherein the decay constant  $c$  and/or the object shift  $u$  is  
3   determined by parameter approximation from the image data.

1           5. (previously presented) The method according to claim  
2   10 wherein the decay constant  $c$  is determined by calibration of the  
3   camera.

6. (canceled)

1           7. (currently amended) The method according to claim  
2   [[6]] 10 wherein known object movements  $u_x$  and  $u_y$  are introduced  
3   directly into the differential equation (1).

1           8. (previously presented) The method according to claim  
2   10 wherein field programmable gate arrays (FPGA's) are used.

1           9. (canceled)

2           10. (currently amended) A method of digital image  
3   processing in CMOS camera images, the method comprising the steps  
4   of:

5           generating an output signal  $g$  from a CMOS camera;  
6           deriving from the output signal  $g$  its spatio-temporal  
7   gradients  $(g_x, g_y, g_t)$ ;  
8           establishing a time constant  $c$  and a local object shift  
9    $(u_x, u_y)$  from prior knowledge; and  
10          calculating a target signal value  $q$  from the output  
11   signal  $g$  as  $q = (g_x * u_x) + (g_y * u_y) + (g * -1 * c) + g_t$ .

1           11. (currently amended) The method according to claim  
2   [[11]] 10 wherein the target signal value  $q$ , the constant  $c$ , the  $x$   
3   component  $u_x$  of the local object shift  $u$ , or the  $y$  component  
4    $u_y$  of the local object shift  $u$  is derived by parameter estimation.